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**AMENDMENT AFTER NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the February 10, 2004 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page two (2) of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the *Listing of Claims*, which begins on page three (3) of this paper. Claims 1, 3-13, 16-18 and 21-22 are pending, with claims 1, 12 and 16 being the only independent claims.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page nine (9) of this paper.